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#### TORTURE FOR HYPOCRITES.

Now that the Supreme Court decries rigid enforcement of the prohibition laws the American people of the majority can afford to stand by and enjoy the sufferings of the political prohibitionists of our Congress and Senate, who voted to force this obnoxious on the public, because of fear of the anti-Saloon League and political preachers. Seven-tenths of the supporters in both houses could be safely classed as being fond of their nips regularly. The same goes for the fake prohibitionists who held up their hands in horror of the saloon, but always bought theirs at the drug store.

#### HOGGISH JOHN BULL.

The dispatches now tell us of the threatened rupture between France and England, the French disputing England's title to some newly acquired war possessions. It's the same old story. Greedy John Bull tries to hog everything in sight and woe be the nation that tries to compete with or rival England for commerce. Germany was crushed because she was passing England for commercial supremacy. Ireland is bent beneath John Bull's yoke for fear of being a commercial rival and the future will find Britain conniving with other nations, white, black or yellow, to stir up war and trouble with France and the United States, the next two in greedy John Bull's path.

#### BECKHAM SCOURS IRELAND.

The sale of the Irish bonds is meeting with great success wherever the cause of that unhappy land has been presented to the public. They have answered her modest appeal with open hands and purses, their hearts beating in earnest sympathy for their oppressed brethren across the sea. Kentucky Irishmen are grateful for the assistance of hundreds of noble citizens who, although belonging to other races, have joined the universal effort to give Ireland self-government and place her among the free nations of the earth. The Senate and the House of Representatives have put themselves on record in ringing resolutions of approval and sympathy in the face of bitter opposition from that small band of narrow, selfish politicians who love England and hate Ireland.

The blush of shame comes to the face of every lover of Democracy in this State, whatever his race or creed, at the thought that Beckham, one of Kentucky's Senators, arrayed himself with our immemorial England and refused to oppressed Ireland even the poor boon of a resolution of sympathy. He had his choice to do the bidding of the powerful British cabal that employs its pernicious influence to thwart every effort made by the friends of Ireland to gain the approval of the national administration, or to take his stand proudly in favor of the small and persecuted nations for whose enfranchisement the world's war was fought. With characteristic ingratitude he turned upon the Irish, who throughout his public career have been his loyal friends, and voted against the Irish resolution. As a reward for years of ungrudging service, he refused patient, long suffering Ireland a word of hope or approval.

In a short while Beckham will ask his party to reward him for his six feeble, effortless years in the Senate. He will be found, fawning at the feet of the Irish, whose dreams he has helped to shatter and whose aspirations he has scorned. If the Democrats renominate him for the Senate he will bring disaster to his party, for thousands of the best citizens of Kentucky are only waiting an occasion to spurn and condemn him.

#### ANENT THE BONUS.

The soldiers' bonus bill has not experienced the fair weather politically which the sacrifices of the men would warrant. The tendency has been to regard the bill as one imposing too great a strain on the national credit at this time when Liberty bonds are on the down grade in the exchanges and the Government's credit is made to appear to be what it ought not to be. Indeed there is room for the suspicion that the market price of Liberty bonds has been purposely beaten down in order to kill the bonus. The mass of the people, however, can not be deceived by tactics of this disreputable kind. They want the "boys" to get the bonus and they know that the in-

#### COMING EVENTS

June 16—St. Peter's parish picnic on church grounds, Seventeenth and Garland.

June 23—Moonlight excursion of Hibernian Social Club on Steamer East St. Louis.

July 6, August 31—Moonlight excursions of St. Helena's Co-operative Club, on East St. Louis.

July 27, August 17—Moonlight excursions of Trinity Council on East St. Louis.

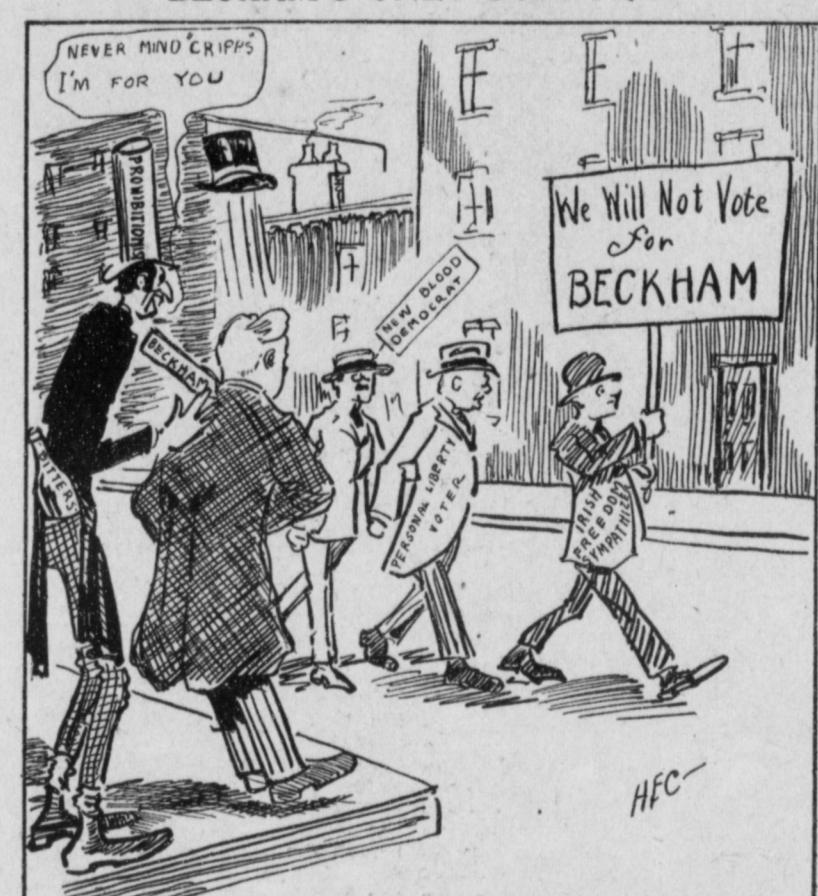
#### SOCIETY.

Interest on our foreign loans if collected, as it should be, would cover the finance of the bill. The American Legion and other war veterans' associations should insist on the interest on our foreign loans being paid, and if they do this they will leave the opponents of the bonus in Congress no financial loophole for their opposition.

#### OMINOUS.

The crowding of British troops

#### BECKAM'S ONLY SUPPORT.



The increasing opposition to Senator Beckham's candidacy confines his backing to the country's greatest disturber—the political prohibitionist.

INTO IRELAND HAS AN OMINOUS SIGNIFICANCE. It is becoming evident that every effort will be made to provoke an open uprising. We still hope that the leaders of Sinn Fein can control their followers and continue the policy of passive resistance. But it would not surprise us to learn at any time of a massacre in Ireland. The military forces of Britain are primed for it and it will not be their fault if it does not happen.

#### CAUSING TROUBLE.

That Interchurch World movement seems to be giving the Protestant denominations considerable trouble. The Presbyterians have voted to withdraw from it, but with the proviso that an "advisory relation" to it be maintained for one year. The trouble arose over the division of the fund and the fact that one individual—supposedly John D. Rockefeller—and one church—inferentially the Baptist—were made preferred creditors, so that if the "Interchurch" failed these would be paid first. The Interchurch movement may yet prove to be a boomerang for Protestantism. Too much money.

#### GOOD NEWS.

The Moore-McCormack Shipping Company, which has established a direct line of steamships between the United States and Ireland, has announced that it will also carry cargoes from Ireland to Continental Europe. This is good news since it means the commercial emancipation of Ireland, which is the one thing Ireland needs to enable her to develop her industrial resources. Most of Ireland's economic backwardness is due to her having been confined to the English market for the disposal of her wares, consequently she was encouraged to develop only that industry which did not come into manufacturing competition with British big business. With Europe for a market we expect to see a boom in manufacturing in the cities and towns of Nationalist Ireland.

#### COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES.

The commencement exercises of old St. Joseph's College at Bardstown will take place in the college gymnasium on Wednesday, June 16, at 11 a. m. The Hon. Frank L. Daugherty, former Commonwealth's Attorney, will deliver the commencement oration. The following will be graduated from the High School department: B. Edward Coomer, Jr., Bardstown; Marvin L. Hardesty and Harry C. Johnson, Waverly; J. William Luh, Louisville; Wayne W. Harris, Louisville. Formal induction has not been arranged, but a cordial welcome will be given to the reverend clergy, the alumni and friends of the college.

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